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Dear FCC-I have been an XM subscriber for less than two months... it has been a completely different commuting experience for me. I can't tell you how much of a difference the local traffic updates have made.

I drive over 50,000 miles per year in Southern California... accurate traffic updates make a huge impact on my productivity and safety. Before XM, I would channel surf... trying to find out what my best route would be. I would invite you to do it without XM just once and see what it is like: flipping from channel to channel, waiting for each 45 second traffic update, planning my route accordingly. Radio stations do a good job giving an overview of traffic, but they can't tell you the details in that 45 second sound bite and that is extremely important in the LA area. If I don't get an accurate update and any part of my trip takes longer than planned, I am forced to make up time later in the day. Using the XM traffic updates, I can plan my routes much better than with any FM services.

Please, let the free market make this decision... not another piece of legislation.

I appreciate your consideration.

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